Welcome from the Principal

The Saint Martin de Porres High School faculty and staff hope that you’ve had a relaxing and rejuvenating summer break! We’re excited to begin the 2017-2018 school year with you soon, and I would like to take this time to share the following important details as we get closer to August 15th, the first day of school.

- Our new school calendar with academic and athletic events is now available online at www.saintmartincleveland.org/calendar. Please bookmark it for your reference throughout the year.
- Teachers will inform students about school supplies needed during the first week of classes.
- The school bus routes will begin August 8th.
- Class schedules will be available on the first day of school, but students can log in to PowerSchool on August 3rd to see their tentative classes.
- August 15th is the first day of school. We will begin at 7:50 am, and students will be allowed to dress down in Saint Martin spirit wear for the day.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Go with God, God goes with you,
Mr. Sardon

Mass of the Holy Spirit: August 18th at 9:30 am

On Friday, August 18th we will gather for our annual Mass of the Holy Spirit! At this liturgy, we invite the Holy Spirit to enliven us and guide us through this new school year. We also ask for the Spirit’s blessing on all new members of the Saint Martin community--students, faculty, and staff. The mass will take place at St. Vitus Church at 9:30am.

All are welcome to join in this joyful event!
From CWSP: Important Information

**August 7-11: New Student Welcome Week**
**Monday, August 7th:** Freshmen may dress down for their testing block. Please note specific testing times in the Welcome Letter you received in the mail.
**Tuesday, August 8th:** Students can dress down, but must wear their Class t-shirt. Freshmen will receive these after testing on Monday. Upperclassmen will receive their shirts Tuesday morning.

**August 30-31**
The freshmen class will either go on their class retreat or on a CWSP field trip. Groups will be assigned in the coming weeks.

**First Days of Work:**
**Tuesday, September 5 - Juniors**
**Thursday, September 7 - Seniors**
**Friday, September 8 - Sophomores**
**Monday, September 19 - Freshmen**

Sophomores-Seniors working downtown will be receiving a letter and required waiver form to complete as part of the transportation process. Please return these to Samantha Musser in CWSP by September 5th. Questions/Concerns: 216-881-1689 ext 205 or CWSP Hotline 216-346-7896

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**From the Business Office**

**Tuition**
Tuition bills for the upcoming school year will be mailed out the last week of August. All previous balances should have been paid by July 31, 2017.

Tuition is due the 10th of every month. If you would like to sign up for automatic credit card payments please see the credit card payment form on the last page of this newsletter and return it to the business office.

A $25 late fee will be assessed in the first week of November for all accounts that are not up-to-date.

If you have any questions regarding your account, please contact Ms. Santiago at 216-881-1689 ext. 329 or Mr. Robinson at 216-881-1689 ext. 313.

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**Important Health Update from Nurse Karen**

ALL STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED BY LAW TO HAVE AN IMMUNIZATION RECORD ON FILE AT ST. MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL!

Incoming 9th grade and transfer students please bring documentation of your immunizations addressed to Nurse Karen.

Per Ohio Dept. of Health, students entering 12th grade are required to have 2 doses of meningococcal (MC4) vaccine administered prior to the start of the 2017-18 school year. Universities/colleges also require immunization information as part of their admissions process.

NOTE: Students can be excluded from school if required immunizations or exemption information is not provided to St. Martin de Porres High School per Ohio Dept. of Health law.

Contact Nurse Karen for questions/concerns 216-881-1689 Ex: 316
9th Grade Retreat: August 30th and August 31st

Attention 9th Grade Parents! Campus Ministry will host the 9th grade retreat on Wednesday, August 30th and Thursday, August 31st. Each student will be assigned ONE day to attend retreat. On the other, they should report to school at the normal time in full uniform. Watch for a letter coming home with more information! Students will also receive more information during Welcome Week.

College Counseling Corner

Seniors continue editing your college list and polishing your college essay. We will be starting college applications in September!

Recent graduates, please join us for our Send-Off BBQ on Friday, August 4th from 12pm-2pm in the courtyard behind the Annex.

Parent Volunteer Opportunity

True Revival is not confined to a building. It flows out and changes the world.

Want to help create a Saint Martin Revival for November 2017? Contact Virginia Malloy, vmalloy@stmdphs.org to say Yes! And we’ll set up a meeting in August to get started!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SPIRIT WEEK will be the week of October 9th-13th.

HOMECOMING will be on Saturday, October 14th at the Saint Martin gym from 8-11pm. Saint Martin students do not have to pay to enter but guests of students (up to 2 with approved guest form) must pay $5 to enter.
August Student Activities

- **Tuesday, August 15th - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - FIRST FUN DAY** - Students can dress in Martin Monday attire. Students must wear a piece of SAINT MARTIN SPIRIT WEAR (t-shirts, hoodies, fleece, sweatpants, etc.) in order to dress down.
- **Friday, August 18th - STUDENT ACTIVITIES FAIR & MASS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT** - 7:50am-11:00am School Day - The Student Activity Fair will be an opportunity for students to learn about athletics and activities to take part in throughout the school year. They will be able to sign up if interested but this does not mean they are committing to the club or team.
- **Friday, September 1st - WONDER DAY** - We will have classes in the morning followed by an afternoon of exploration around the city of Cleveland. More information to come, but this will be an opportunity to build community, have new experiences, and explore new places throughout Cleveland. If you are interested in helping with this day or have ideas for activities for our students to participate in, please reach out to Mary Carney at mcarney@stmdphs.org.

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Tryouts & Practices

- **Volleyball Team Tryouts**: Interested in playing volleyball? Mandatory tryouts are on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 1st & 2nd from 4:30-6:30pm in the Saint Martin gym. In order to try out students must have up to date OHSAA physicals on file.
- **Soccer Team Tryouts**: Soccer team tryouts and tryouts begin on Tuesday, August 1st and Wednesday, August 2nd, and Thursday, August 3rd from 4:30pm-6pm at Grdina Park. All students interested in playing soccer must attend the practices that week. Scrimmages start the following week.
- **Cross Country Team**: No try-out for Men's & Women's Cross Country. Practices begin on Wednesday, August 2nd at 4:30pm. Meet in the gym hallway and the team will go out for runs from there.
- **HighStepping Team**: Interested in HighStepping, come to the mandatory practices on Monday & Tuesday 8/28-8/29 from 4-6pm on the Stage. Tryouts will be on Wednesday-Friday 8/30-9/1 from 4-6pm.

OHSAA PHYSICAL is mandatory to have on file with the school in order for a student to participate or tryout for a sport. If you need to complete a physical, the forms can be located at [http://ohsaa.org/Portals/0/Sports-Medicine/PPE_2017-18.pdf](http://ohsaa.org/Portals/0/Sports-Medicine/PPE_2017-18.pdf).

Questions about athletics or activities? Please contact the Director of Student Life, Mary Carney by phone at **(216) 881-1689 ext. 318** or by email at mcarney@stmdphs.org.